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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER R37 C.F.R. 1.97

In compliance with Applicant's and his attorney's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56, the Applicant does hereby submit the following Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO - 1449, and copies of the references listed thereon.

A patent search was manually conducted for the invention described in the above-referenced patent application. In the course of the search, no patents were found for an apparatus that has the same structural features or that operates in the same manner such as the invention listed above. The following eleven (11) patents, however, were noted as being of interest and are hereby brought to the Examiner's attention as references AA - AK. The significance of each listed reference is as follows:

1 AA. Reference U.S. Patent No. 6,219,846 (Toole) discloses a bib assembly
2 including a first body and a second body including a rupturable package containing the folded
3 sheet of material of the second body in an interior chamber of the package.

4 AB. Reference U.S. Patent No. 6,210,508 (Williamson et al.) discloses a method of
5 manufacturing a shoe lining having anti-microbial properties.

6 AC. Reference U.S. Patent No. 6,189,153 (Diamond) discloses a pocket liner
7 comprising a pouch dimensioned to fit within a pocket constituting an integral part of an
8 article.

9 AD. Reference U.S. Patent No. 6,170,680 (Hung) discloses a rack for holding
10 hairdressing tools including a U-shaped shelf that is detachably connected to and behind a
11 back of a chair intended for hairdressing by means of connectors.

12 AE. Reference U.S. Patent No. 5,566,391 (Williamson) discloses a painting apron
13 having a protective sheet of flexible, paint-impervious material to which a mounting
14 arrangement is secured.

15 AF. Reference U.S. Patent No. 4,998,984 (McClendon) discloses a prepackaged
16 single use disposable wiper pad or towelette that is saturated with a disinfecting liquid.

17 AG. Reference U.S. Patent No. 4,646,364 (O'Larey) discloses a disposable cape
18 particularly for hairdressing salons, beauty shops, and the like. The capes are manufactured
19 in a continuous long strip of a flexible material, which is resistant to chemicals normally used
20 in a beauty salon.

21 AH. Reference U.S. Patent No. 3,146,464 (Burnett) discloses a disposable bib
22 formed of paper, which may be formed in a continuous roll for ease of storage, distribution,
23 sale, and use.

1 AI. Reference U.S. Patent No. 3,001,646 (Cooper) discloses a disposable bib that
2 may be manufactured in the form of a continuous roll.

3 AJ. Reference U.S. Patent No. 2,621,784 (Boytham) discloses a package in which
4 an applicator pad or bandage to which a medicament has been added, is enclosed in an
5 envelope.

6 AK. Reference U.S. Patent No. 2,087,181 (Conway) discloses a dispensing
7 container for housing interlocked sheets in package form and which may be removed one at a
8 time and is especially adapted for hairdressers.

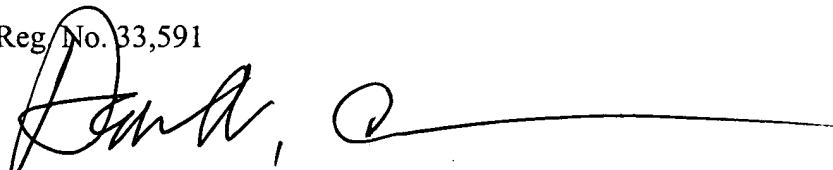
9 The Applicant and his attorney submit that the above-cited references taken alone or
10 in combination neither anticipate nor render obvious the present invention. None of the
11 references disclose or claim a hairdresser's tool kit comprising a holster having at least one
12 comb pocket and a plurality of scissor pockets, a removable sleeve inserted into each scissor
13 pocket and a means to support the holster on the body of a hairdresser.

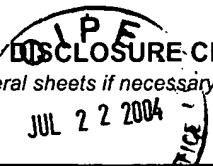
14 The listed references relate only to the general field of the disclosure and do not
15 constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims; they are
16 cited only as constituting the closest art of which the Applicant and his attorney are aware.

17 Respectfully submitted,

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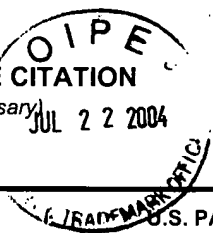
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	AI.	3,001,646	09/26/1961	COOPER	206	58	02/09/1959
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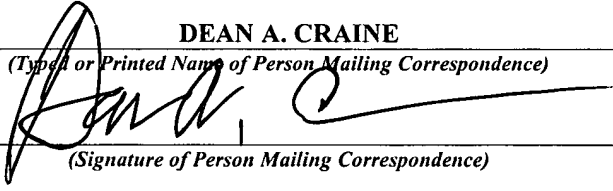
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